

Amendments to the Drawings

Figures 1A-1D were objected for allegedly failing to indicate that these figures refer to the prior art. A Replacement Sheet is attached hereto with the designation "Prior Art" added to the bottom of the drawing sheet. Therefore, applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the objection.

Attachment: Replacement Sheet

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the rejections set forth in the Office Action mailed December 2, 2004, is respectfully requested. Claims 48 remains pending.

Double Patenting

Claim 48 was rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness type double patenting as being allegedly unpatentable over claims 1, 5, and 20 of U.S. Patent No. 6,605,047. Without conceding the propriety of the rejection, Applicants file a terminal disclaimer herewith. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request the withdrawal of this rejection.

CONCLUSION

For all the foregoing reasons, Applicant asserts the claims are in condition for allowance. Favorable action on the merits of the claims is therefore earnestly solicited. If any issues remain, please contact Applicant's undersigned representative at (949) 737-2900. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required to Deposit Account No. 50-2862.

Respectfully submitted,

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